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## **Update on flooding situation in City of Shakopee**

*Residents asked not to drive on closed roads and flooded streets*

Statement from City of Shakopee Mayor Brad Tabke:

The recent heavy rainfall and saturated soil have led to high water levels throughout Shakopee. At this time, the City of Shakopee is not declaring an emergency disaster. While we do have some property damage, including a number of flooded basements, the City is fortunate that the damage remains manageable.

Public Works crews are pumping water in the most severely hit areas, but at this time, the storm drainage system is operating as designed.

Several City streets are closed, including portions of Valley View Drive, Independence Drive, Vierling Drive, Thrush Street and County Road 16 east of Pike Lake Trail. It is critical that motorists do not travel on flooded streets or drive around "road closed" barricades. Do not drive through standing water or allow children to play in open water.

Residents are asked to assist City crews by helping to unblock storm drain catch basins in the curblane that may have otherwise become plugged by leaves and other debris.

If you have water in your basement, Shakopee Public Utilities advises you to turn off electricity to the lower level of your home.

Updates will continue to be posted on the City website and social media as conditions warrant.

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